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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This reply is being sent in response to the Final Office Action dated October 14, 2005. A Request For Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 is being filed concurrently herewith.

Applicants have amended claims 1, 3, 8 and 10. Applicants have cancelled claims 9, 24 and 33-34. Thus, claims 1-8 and 10-11 remain subject to continued examination.